

In the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

1. (Currently Amended) A lateralization device for providing a lateralization effect to a body portion of a user, comprising:

a supporting member comprising an outer wall and adapted to be supported in a fixed position, the supporting member further comprising a plurality of interference fittings on the outer wall; and

a lateralization member mounted onto the supporting member and extending laterally therefrom to provide a lateralization effect to a user's body portion, the lateralization member comprising a recessed portion formed by an inner wall and comprising a plurality of interference fittings on the inner wall that are complementary to the interference fittings of the supporting member, the number of interference fittings on the inner wall being greater than the number of complementary interference fittings on the outer wall;

wherein an angular orientation of the lateralization member against the supporting member is adjustable-, and wherein mere adjustment of the angular orientation of the lateralization member against the supporting member is sufficient to alter the lateralization effect.

2. (Currently Amended) The lateralization device of claim 1, wherein the supporting member comprises a post member, and the post member comprising comprises an the outer wall.

3-4. (Canceled)

5. (Original) The lateralization device of claim 1, wherein the lateralization member is formed of a material that can resist a pressure exerted thereon and maintain its initial shape during a normal use.

6. (Currently Amended) The lateralization device of claim 1, wherein the lateralization member comprises a substantially cylindrical member ~~with a recessed portion formed by an inner wall~~.

7. (Original) The lateralization device of claim 6, wherein the cylindrical member has a substantially circular cross-section.

8. (Previously Presented) The lateralization device of claim 7, wherein the recessed portion is located in an eccentric position on the cylindrical member.

9. (Canceled)

10. (Original) The lateralization device of claim 1, wherein the lateralization member comprises a padding member.

11. (Canceled)

12. (Currently Amended) The lateralization device of claim 14, wherein the lateralization member can rotate in one direction in relation to the supporting member.

13. (Canceled)

14. (Currently Amended) The lateralization device of claim 10, ~~wherein further comprising a padding member~~, the padding member is an elongated member and adapted to wrap around the lateralization member for more than one time.

15. (Previously Presented) The lateralization device of claim 1 further comprising a protection member at least partially wrapped around the lateralization member.

16-17. (Canceled)

18. (Currently Amended) The lateralization device of claim 16, wherein the supporting member is adapted to be mounted onto a fracture table.

19. (Previously Presented) A method for providing a lateralization effect to a user's body portions in a medical procedure, the method comprising:

providing a lateralization vector force to part the user's body portions;

and

positioning the user's body portions throughout the medical procedure via a device according to claim 1 whereby an angular orientation of a lateralization member against a supporting member is adjustable to thereby alter said lateralization effect; wherein the lateralization vector force is exerted on the user's hip portion in a hip arthroscopy to provide a hip lateralization.

20. (Canceled)

21. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 1, wherein the lateralization member is expandable in a lateral direction.

22-23. (Canceled)